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Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed May 5, 2003, Applicant elects Group XII, consisting of Claims 62-65, drawn to a nucleic acid that encodes an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:27, with traverse.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if there are any questions relating to this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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